## Post-Doctoral Fellowship at Community Psychiatry Program for Research in Implementation and Dissemination of Evidence-Based Treatments (PRIDE) Massachusetts General Hospital

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Applications are invited for one postdoctoral fellowship position, beginning July 2015, under the direction of Dr. Luana Marques, Director of Community Psychiatry PRIDE at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH), Assistant Psychologist at the Center for Anxiety and Traumatic Stress Disorders at MGH, and Assistant Professor at Harvard Medical School. Community Psychiatry PRIDE is a dissemination and implementation psychiatry research center that focuses on reducing disparities in mental health in communities across Massachusetts. The program's central focus is delivering evidence-based practices in resource-constricted settings and improving the mental health care of our most vulnerable patients. The overarching mission of Community Psychiatry PRIDE is to establish partnerships with community agencies as a way to bring the most effective mental health treatments to patients and community mental health providers, with the ultimate goal of reducing health disparities. The staff of Community Psychiatry PRIDE primarily focus on research which will lead to increased access and quality of care across a wide range of psychiatric disorders.

The fellow will be directly involved on several clinically-relevant research projects, that employ both qualitative and quantitative methodology. The types of mental health research that the fellow will be involved with are also diverse. For instance, the fellow will gain experience in conducting research on cultural adaptation of interventions, clinical effectiveness trials, implementation trials, and predictive epidemiological modeling. The three current projects that will comprise the majority of the fellow's research activities are:

- two studies conducted in collaboration with MGH Chelsea Healthcare Center and Roca, Inc.; and
- one epidemiological study that utilizes the longitudinal medical record.

Across all of these projects, the fellow will work on analysis of qualitative (interviews, field notes, and focus groups) and quantitative (self-report and administrative) data and will assist with manuscript and grant application preparation. Dr. Marques is the principal investigator on an NIMH-funded project entitled, "Implementation of Cognitive Processing Therapy for PTSD in Diverse Communities." This study examines the implementation of an evidence-based treatment for PTSD at MGH Chelsea HealthCare Center. The fellow will also assist with a project examining the development and implementation of a cognitive-behavioral therapy-based curriculum at Roca, Inc. Roca is a nonprofit organization in Chelsea, MA that serves young men ages 17-24 who are at high risk of incarceration, have limited employment or educational experiences, and are gang (or street) involved. The fellow will assist in developing research questions, running analyses, and preparing manuscripts that utilize longitudinal (epidemiological) medical record data. These efforts will lead to development of a predictive model of mental health disparities, and serve as preliminary data for future grant applications.

Fellows will also receive protected research time and grant-writing mentorship, and are expected to submit a grant to fund their own research.

Community Psychiatry PRIDE is offering a one year, post-doctoral fellowship program for individuals with an interest in public health, clinical psychology, and mental health. Fellows will be considered for a Harvard University appointment. The candidate would preferably have a PhD in Public Health, Behavioral Sciences, Clinical Psychology or related disciplines with an interest or focus in diversity, community mental health, and/or health disparities. Salary is competitive with excellent benefits. Interested applicants should forward a letter of interest addressed to Dr. Luana Marques, along with curriculum vitae, list of three references, and a recent writing sample (preferably a published manuscript) to Louise Dixon (ldixon1@mgh.harvard.edu).